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1. Jose PEREZ Gonzalez, a member of the executive committee of the Confederacion de Trabajadores de Cuba (CTC) and secretary-general of the Labor Bloc of the Partido de Accion Progresista (PAP, Cuban Progressive Action Party), met recently with Jose MARMOL Diaz, secretary-general of the Agrupacion de Trabajadores Latino-Americanos Sindicalistas (ATLAS) in Cuba. These meetings were held because of the rumor that there might be a crisis affecting the leadership of the CTC. PEREZ has asked MARMOL not to attack the CTC or its present top leadership. MARMOL did not agree to this, and finally decided that Eusebio MUJAL, secretary-general of the CTC, could be personally attacked but not the office of the secretary-general.
2. PEREZ tried to obtain MARMOL's promise to throw ATLAS support to a new CTC leadership in case the events that had been forecast take place, thereby causing the resignation of MUJAL and other leaders loyal to him, and the possible capture of the CTC by PEREZ, Jose Luis MARTINEZ, and others. MARMOL replied that ATLAS, once the downfall of MUJAL is an accomplished fact, will consider giving its support to the new CTC leadership, as well as possible ATLAS participation within the new executive committee.
3. Early in December 1953 Eusebio MUJAL, accompanied by Modesto BARBEITO and Osvaldo MARTINEZ, CTC leaders, visited the ATLAS leaders of the Cuban Brewers' Union, Hector SOCORRO, Librado MARTINEZ, and Armando BALLESTER in an attempt to persuade the latter three men to withdraw from ATLAS.
4. Both MARTINEZ and BALLESTER promised to resign from ATLAS, but SOCORRO refused, stating that he would give up his position as secretary-general of the Brewers' Union rather than withdraw from ATLAS. However, SOCORRO did promise to refrain from publicly attacking MUJAL through the newspaper Atlas.

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